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1. DURING DISCUSSION OF OTHER MATTERS MARCH 4, QUAI
CABINET DIRECTOR ULRICH TOLD POLCOUNSELOR THAT BISENGI-
MANA HAD CALLED ON FOREIGN MINISTER SAUVAGNARGUES
RECENTLY AND HAD COMMUNICATED MOBUTU'S COMPLETE SUPPORT
FOR APRIL 7 PREPARATORY CONFERENCE ON ENERGY TO WHICH
GOF HAS ISSUED INVITATIONS. BISENGIMANA SAID THAT
ZAIRE WILL ATTEND.

2. POLCOUNSELOR ASKED IF BISENGIMANA DID NOT INSIST
THAT CONFERENCE DISCUSS COPPER AND OTHER COMMODITIES AS
WELL AS ENERGY, IN LINE WITH ALGERIAN DEMANDS. ULRICH
SAID BISENGIMANA INDICATED GOZ INTEREST IN EXPANDING
DISCUSSIONS TO INCLUDE OTHER PRIMARY COMMODITIES, BUT
ACCEPTED GOF ARGUMENT THAT CONFERENCE SHOULD CONCENTRATE
ON ENERGY FIRST, AND WORRY ABOUT OTHER COMMODITIES LATER.

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